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APPLICANT: Thomas J. Maginot

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**PETITION TO ACCEPT OMITTED DRAWING
UNDER 37 CFR 1.182**

SIR:

Responsive to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Non-Provisional Application, dated August 23, 2001 received in the above-identified patent application, applicant hereby submits one sheet of formal drawing containing Figure 3 which was inadvertently omitted from the documents constituting the subject continuation application as filed on July 11, 2001.

Applicant submits that no new matter is being introduced and that the Figure 3 set forth on the one (1) sheet of formal drawing submitted herewith was also set forth in each of the succession of prior continuation applications including pending

U.S. Serial No. 09/475,789, filed December 30, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/111,062, filed July 7, 1998, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/090,598 filed June 4, 1998 and issued as U.S. patent No. 5,934,286, which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/073,336 filed May 5, 1998 and issued as U.S. patent No. 5,979,455 which is a continuation of U.S. serial No. 08/702,742, filed August 23, 1996 and issued as U.S. patent No. 5,749,375 which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/391,960 filed February 21, 1995 and issued as U.S. patent No. 5,571,167 which is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/138,912 filed October 18, 1993 and issued as U.S. patent No. 5,456,712 which is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/056,371 filed May 3, 1993 and issued as patent No. 5,304,220.

The subject continuation application is therefore submitted to be entitled to the filing date of July 11, 2001 accorded this application, and to priority from its predecessor applications.

Applicant is submitting herewith the required petition fee of \$130.00.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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